

NIDA-Modified ASSIST—Prescreen V1.0¹

Name: Sex () F () M Age.....

Interviewer..... Date□.....□.....

Introduction (Please read to patient)

Hi, I'm [redacted], nice to meet you. If it's okay with you, I'd like to ask you a few questions that will help me give you better medical care. The questions relate to your experience with alcohol, cigarettes, and other drugs. Some of the substances we'll talk about are prescribed by a doctor (like pain medications). But I will only record those if you have taken them for reasons or in doses other than prescribed. I'll also ask you about illicit or illegal drug use—but only to better diagnose and treat you.

Instructions: For each substance, mark in the appropriate column. For example, if the patient has ever used cocaine in their life time, put a mark in the “Yes” column in the “cocaine” row.

Prescreen Question: In your lifetime, which of the following substances have you ever used? For prescription medications, please report nonmedical use only.	No	Yes
a. Tobacco products (cigarettes, chewing tobacco, cigars, etc.)		
b. Alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, liquor, etc.)		
c. Cannabis (marijuana, pot, grass, hash, etc.)		
d. Cocaine (coke, crack, etc.)		
e. Prescription stimulants (Ritalin, Concerta, Dexedrine, Adderall, diet pills, etc.)		
f. Methamphetamine (speed, crystal meth, ice, etc.)		
g. Inhalants (nitrous oxide, glue, gas, paint thinner, etc.)		
h. Sedatives or sleeping pills (Valium, Serepax, Ativan, Xanax, Librium, Rohypnol, GHB, etc.)		
i. Hallucinogens (LSD, acid, mushrooms, PCP, Special K, ecstasy, etc.)		
j. Street opioids (heroin, opium, etc.)		
k. Prescription opioids (fentanyl, oxycodone [OxyContin, Percocet], hydrocodone [Vicodin], methadone, buprenorphine, etc.)		
l. Other – specify:		

- If the patient says “NO” for all drugs in Prescreen, reinforce abstinence. Screening is complete.
- If the patient says “Yes” to any of the drugs, ask Question 1 of the NIDA Modified ASSIST tool.

¹ This screening tool was adapted from the WHO Alcohol, Smoking and Substance Involvement Screening Test (ASSIST) Version 3.0 developed and published by the World Health Organization (WHO) (available at: http://www.who.int/substance_abuse/definitions ASSIST v3_english.pdf)